

COUNTRY CORRESPONDENCE

NORTHEAST BENTON.

Miss Pearl Davis of Mexico visited her sister Mrs. Roy Dudley the past week. — Misses Evelyn and Velma Weber visited their uncle, Euell Mitchell and wife last week. — Chas. Winkler of Kansas City, Mr. and Mrs. Will Bolling and Mrs. Fanny Bolling of Shelbyville came last week to attend the funeral of their sister, Mrs. John J. Hildebrand. — The community was greatly shocked at the sudden death of Mrs. John Hildebrand which occurred last Thursday. Mrs. Hildebrand was very much devoted to her family and will be greatly missed by her many friends. The funeral was held at the Christian church in Benton City Sunday evening. Rev. Wood of the Community Church of Rush Hill officiating. Many beautiful floral offerings were in evidence and burial was made in the Benton City cemetery. — Mrs. Hubert Holbrook has been suffering from her vaccination. — Rev. Francis Mitchell filled his appointment at the Presbyterian church Sunday. — Rev. Mitchell has recently passed his 75th birthday and is enjoying improved health. — Mr. and Mrs. Dan Lennon, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Hildebrand Oscar Hixie and family, Miss Josie Volk and other friends all from Wells-ville attended the funeral of Mrs. Rosie Hildebrand Sunday.

BENTON CITY ITEMS

The Rev. Mitchell of Montgomery City filled his appointment at the Presbyterian Church Sunday morning and evening. — There was a large crowd attended the funeral of Mrs. John J. Hildebrand Sunday afternoon at the Christian Church. There were many beautiful floral offerings. Mrs. Hildebrand will be greatly missed in her home and in the community. — Mrs. John Dewis is suffering from a sprained ankle. — Several from here were shopping in Mexico Monday. — Douglass and Susie Tanner spent Monday with Mrs. French Douglass. — We are glad to report that our sick people are all better. — We are glad to report that Charlie Clark, south of town is some better of his rheumatism. — Mrs. Olan Tinsley and children spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hildebrand. — The Rev. McLaughlin filled his appointment at Unity Sunday. — The freeze Saturday and Sunday nights did quite a bit of damage to the fruit. — Several are papering and housecleaning this week.

DYE ITEMS.

Ralph Leritz and family, Mrs. Erv Holtcamp and family were in Rush Hill Monday. — The people of Hedge-dale District are going to erect a new school building soon. — Mrs. Homer Azell and Mrs. Ernest Hagg made the guests of Mrs. H. F. Dudgeon Thursday afternoon. — Ralph Leritz painted his automobile last week. — Albert Erdel was in Mexico, on business Tuesday. — John Jessie, John and Ralph Leritz worked on the road Wednesday. — Mr. and Mrs. Harry Watson are visiting Mrs. Sallie Anderson. — Ralph Leritz aided Albert Erdel in breaking a young horse last week. — Mr. and Mrs. Homer Erdel is breaking a young horse. — Mr. and Mrs. Homer Azell, Mrs. Will Azell and son were in Laddonia Monday. — Ralph Leritz aided John Jesse in breaking a horse Saturday. — James and Bennie Booth of Santa Fe called on Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Dudgeon Thursday. — Mrs. John Jessie was the guest of Mrs. Ralph Leritz Thursday afternoon. — Several attended the wrestling match at Laddonia Wednesday night. — J. T. LaRue O. G. Roth, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Azell were in Laddonia Friday. — Ralph Leritz sold hogs to "Farmers Elevator Co." at Rush Hill Thursday. — Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Snook, Eldon Huntsman, Henry Beulah and Clayton Erdel were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Witche and family Sunday. — Mrs. Albert Erdel was among the Laddonia shoppers Saturday. — Ralph Leritz aided Albert Erdel and son in hauling hogs which were sold to Fete Harper Monday. — Henry Erdel, Ed Witche and several others attended the wrestling match at Louisiana Monday night.

McCLINTIC ITEMS.

The teacher and pupils of McClintic School, were given a surprise basket dinner Thursday noon, April 14th, by the patrons and friends of the school. The occasion was very enjoyable. Those present were: Rhoda Estella Virginia Caldwell Ferris, George Elwood Ferris, Anna Mollet, Marion May Mollet, Sallie Hagan, Fony Hagan, Walger Hagan, Frank Paris, Louis Sonwalt, Elsie Sonwalt, Stella Mollet, John Mollet, Jr., Homer Anderson, Frances Anderson, Daisy Lower, Ethel Mechin, Charles Mechin, Keith Mechin, Sarah E. Paige, John Edwin Paige, Howard Paige, Leslie Brown, Fern Brown, Clyde Brown, Ruth Brown, Percy Porter, Brice Flynn, Ruth Flynn, Harry Sidney Flynn, Lillie Shoup, Ruth Shoup, Donald Shoup, Henry Sonwalt, Sadie Sonwalt, Gerda Hale, Will E. Hale, Mary Hale, Mary Weaver, Annie Jesse, Lee Sonwalt, Fannie Sonwalt. — On Friday at McClintic school, there were graduating exercises for four graduates: Charles Ferris, Thomas Hagan, Cecelia Gels and Edna May Sonwalt. The program included an invocation by Mrs. Clyde Shoup, commencement exercises by Prof. Selby Swift, and reading of diplomas by Mrs. Leslie Brown. Those who received honorable

mention for attendance during the term were: Walter Hitz, Lola Fern Anderson, Ervin Mollet and Lucille Mollet. — Selby Swift has been re-elected as teacher of McClintic School, with an increased salary. Mr. Swift has been doing splendid work and his re-election shows the appreciation of the district.

HATTON-CONCORD.

Mrs. Alice Bright is visiting her brother, Charley Holt and family in Niles, Michigan. — Willard Creed, who has been working in St. Louis the past six months with an auto company, returned home and will be traveling salesman for a Auto Supply Company of St. Louis. — Pat Tinner shipped a car load of cattle from Auxvasse Monday and one load of hogs from McDredie to the St. Louis market. — We understand Miss Grace Cannell has been employed again to teach the Flynt school this fall. This is Miss Grace's third term and she has given entire satisfaction the past two years. — Ira Cottrill has a sick cow. — The chicken thieves have been quite busy the past few months, nearly everybody around here has lost chickens, corn and oats. — The cold spell killed some of the garden stuff up and it is hard on little chicks, also, quite a few have 300 and 400 chicks. — The people are sorry of the death of John Martin of Auxvasse. — Boone Gilbert and sons have the corn land of the Misses Salle rented for this year.

RUSH HILL.

Elton Britton was visiting his brother, Tom Monday evening. We are sorry to hear Mrs. Tom Britton is still on the sick list. — Ed Chism is also on the sick list and was not able to go on the section to work. — Mrs. Brower was sick in bed, but is better now. — Considine & Wales shipped 65 cases of eggs Monday. — Carl Gervin is putting up a new fence around the garden of his property in town. — There have been several applicants for the school here. It is a good chance for a number one teacher. Here's hoping to see a fine school another year. — Frank Wales was in the store Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday. — The Home Makers Club will meet with Mrs. Herald Carr, if the weather is favorable but if not will meet at Mrs. Ford Christian's. An interesting program is prepared for the afternoon. They also have some business to transact. Visitors always welcome. — The Loyal Daughters' Class of Community Church met with Mrs. Will Young. Owing to the bad roads and bad weather there were not many out. But we had a nice program and all enjoyed themselves. They will meet again April 28th with Mrs. Homer Anderson. — A full attendance is desired. — Rush Hill community extends their heartfelt sympathy to John Hildebrand and son over the loss of Mrs. Hildebrand, also the father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Winkler. — Then again the angel of death took the infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Griville Melahn. All extend to both their heartfelt sympathy. — Considine & Wales shipped 125 cases of eggs Monday morning. They also shipped \$350.00 worth of chickens to St. Louis this week. — There were not many out to Sunday school on account of the weather. — Saturday was sure a bad day. It was a mixture of rain and snow. Sunday morning there was ice to be seen everywhere, but we are sure glad to see the sun shining once more. — Mrs. Luther Sims and daughter, Alice, came down from Mexico to spend the week end with Luther Sims. — Mrs. Erie Williams is confined to the house on account of a badly sprained ankle. Hope she will soon be out again.

GANT ITEMS.

Marie Harrison is visiting at the home of Jeff Allison and family, her grandparents, this week. — There were twenty five at Sunday school Sunday. All the roads were bad and they sure commenced on time—10 o'clock as was agreed upon. — Mar-that Winn and little son, Wendal, are still at J. B. Nevins. His little neck is so much better, hope he will soon be well again. — Joe Smith had a horse fall with him and hurt his knee real bad. Joe has had to stay close in for a few days. — The ladies residing

near Gant met at the home of Mrs. Clyde Wilson's on Monday night, April the 11th. There were ten present namely: Mrs. Jeff Allison, Mrs. Hus Mildred, Mrs. Joe Berrey, Mrs. Vess McCowen, Mrs. John Scholl, Mrs. Allen Duffy, Mrs. Roland Stowers, Mrs. Harvey and Willie Edwards and Mrs. Wilson made ten. They organized a club but haven't decided on a name yet. It is to be decided on April 28 when we meet at Mrs. Harvey Edwards. Mrs. Wilson sure knows how to entertain. She first passed oranges then pop corn balls and then nice bowls of home made candies and all you wished of all. The children present were: Ola and Laraine Stowers, Anna, Maud Duffey, Mary Eva School and little Junior McCowen and Raymond Lee Edwards. All left for home at almost twelve o'clock telling Mrs. Wilson good night and hoping to meet again soon with out club duties. Glad to have any one else to join our club that will, any one welcome as a visitor any time we meet. — Mrs. V. V. Smith has 60 goose eggs setting. We feel sure she will have a goose dinner next Xmas and invite us all over to eat goose. — Mrs. Edgar Sims and children and Mrs. Cloyd Wade and little Hazle were in Gant shopping Friday evening. Kelly was paying 21 cents for eggs. — Larkin Poff and family and Genelle Dnham and Carl Cleeton visited at Tom Cleeton and family's Saturday night and Sunday. — Some few have planted some corn.

AUXVASSE ITEMS.

Mrs. Harry Henderson, Miss Katie Wood, Robt. and Edward Wood were called to Kirksville Monday to the bed side of their father, Dr. R. B. Wood of Fulton who is in a hospital suffering with gangrene. About a year ago Dr. Wood burned his foot on an electric heater and the wound never healed. At this writing Dr. Wood is very low and not expected to survive. Dr. R. B. Wood of Fulton died this morning at Kirksville. Funeral Thursday at Fulton and burial at Concord. — Mrs. Chas. W. Morse of New York City has returned home after a week's visit with her nephew Bernard Cowles. Mrs. Morse and her husband have recently returned from abroad and say the scars of war are fast disappearing and the people have everything in abundance with the exception of money. — Paul Pierce the ten year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Willard Pierce is very low with pneumonia. — The poles are being set and wire stretched from Fulton to the Mississippi—Missouri Rock Crusher south of town. The railroad company are putting in a switch and the plant should be in operation soon. — Miss Kate Wood was in St. Louis the first of the week. — Pat Tinner shipped hogs and cattle to the St. Louis market Monday.

HAZEL ITEMS.

T. W. Crawford had the misfortune to get hurt by a horse Tuesday morning. — Friends of Mrs. Joe Ware are sorry to know she is not in as good health as usual. Her son, J. H. Ware of Altamont, Kansas, is here for a short visit. — Quite a bit of snow fell Saturday, hard on little chickens and growing crops especially. The freeze Saturday night did a good deal of damage. — Mr. and Mrs. Watson of St. Louis are visiting Mrs. Sallie Anderson and family. — Mrs. Hollis Davidson is on the sick list. — Mr. and Mrs. Watson spent Sunday with Mrs. Hill Wednesday evening. — George Hagerdorn and son, Walter, were at W. H. Hollingsworth's Saturday evening. — Mrs. Sallie Anderson and son, Donald, and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Watson spent Sunday with Mrs. Stone Reid at Worcester. — Rev. Rice of Laddonia preached at the Littleby Baptist church Sunday morning and evening. He was a dinner guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Gauthorn and spent the night with Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Crawford returning home Monday. — Lawrence Wilms-horst from Rush Hill was at Madisonville Monday. — W. H. Hollingsworth made a business trip to Rush Hill Monday. — H. Watson who has been visiting in this vicinity returned to his home in St. Louis Monday. His wife and little nephew stayed for a longer visit. — Henry Schrader spent Monday at his father's.

PRAIRIE HILL.

Ed Trower and Fay Utterback finished planting corn last week. — Mrs. George Adams received a message Thursday stating that a son had arrived that morning at the home of her son, G. B. Adams of St. Louis.

— Irvin's Biggs and wife spent Thursday at J. E. Northcutt's. — Stanley Caldwell, Jr., gave his parents a scare Thursday afternoon by getting into a solution of permanganate of potash which his mother had been using for her chicks. He came through O. K. though. — J. E. Northcutt visited Clyde Johnson Friday afternoon. — Saturday evening Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Morley were surprised to have the neighbors arrive for one of their jolly parties. The merry makers enjoyed themselves to the full. Cake and fruit were in abundance. Those present were Leslie Williams, Jim Maxwell, Earl Motley, Raymond Motley, Paul Evans, Ogle Heim, John Clithroe and their families. — Sunday afternoon Miss Ina Gregg, daughter of Wm. Gregg of Nadine, and Mr. Everett McGrew, son of Wm. McGrew of this neighborhood were married by Bro. Barton at the parsonage in Vandalia. They were accompanied by James Gore and Miss Katherine Woodson. They expect to live on Mrs. Fannie Thomas' farm near Bethel church. — Monday a reception was given by the parents of the groom. We wish for the happy couple much joy and prosperity. — Sunday visitors. Ogle Heim and Ed Trower and their families spent the day at Allen Beedle's. Leslie Williams and family and Jim Maxwell and family visited D. E. Nation and wife. Harrison Kelly and wife spent the day at Wm. Barnes. Also Russell Nuckles and family spent the evening there. J. T. Walker and wife spent the evening at Ogle Heim's. Ed Trower and family spent the evening at Earl Motley's.

Dr. P. E. Coil has purchased a handsome Cadillac from the Hoxsey-Shrout Motor Company.

C. A. Vance delivered a load of timothy hay to the Producer's Grain Co., this last week for \$20 a ton as did A. N. Day.

Mrs. C. T. Hays continues to improve.

C. A. Barnes was in Jefferson City Wednesday on business.

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Place Now Called Sturdy Oak Poland China Place; Formerly Called Col. Clay Place.

R. S. MCKINNEY RESIGNED AS CO. SURVEYOR HERE

R. S. McKinney, who has been Surveyor for Audrain County since 1896, has tendered his resignation to the Audrain County Court, to take effect May first.

Mr. McKinney is one of the oldest continuous office holders in this county, an ex-Confederate soldier, and has a host of friends here who will regret to learn that he expects to leave Mexico shortly for Georgia where he is going to accept an important position.

The Ledger joins Mr. McKinney's many Mexico friends in wishing him continued success in his new home.

Sell Potts Real Estate.

The following pieces of real estate belonging to the Willard Potts and Susan Potts estate, have been sold recently by the administrator J. H. Lane:

Two lots in Cardwell addition to the LaCrosse Lumber Co., for \$5,000.

One lot in Cardwell addition to Mrs. Betty Gilliam for \$3,250.

One lot in City Survey 44 to H. B. McKinley for \$2,700.

One lot in City Survey 44 to James Mackey for \$3,250.

Five pieces of property for negroes in Ladd's addition to different parties for a total of \$2,500.

WILLIAM TATE DIES THURS. AT AGE OF 83

William P. Tate, an ex-confederate soldier and resident of Mexico for the past year, died at his home here at 918 West Buchanan Thursday morning at 9 o'clock. He was eighty-three years of age and had been sick about two weeks. Mr. Tate was a retired farmer who used to farm near Fulton. He is survived by his wife, Molloy Tate, and four children, Mrs. C. H. Wade of Chicago, Mrs. Alex Lay of Denver, Mrs. L. M. Stuart of Mendon, Mo., and W. P. Tate, Jr., of Columbia.

Funeral services were held Saturday morning at the home, with the Rev. W. C. Cowart officiating. The Ledger joins the community in extending sympathy to the bereaved for the death of a man of such splendid and upright character.

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Excerpt from article by Chas. F. Dingman, M. Am. Soc. C. E. M. Am. Soc. M. E., New York, April 1st, 1921.

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